




OPERATIONS	SECTION 2 DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES
200.2 Firefighter / Paramedic	Approved by  Robert McGilloway, Fire Chief
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Purpose

To outline and define the role and requirements for the position of Firefighter/ Paramedic

Objective

To establish a guideline and overview for the position of Firefighter/ Paramedic based on State regulations and UFR requirements.

Scope

Firefighter/ Paramedic

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS for FF/PARAMEDIC

- Certified Florida State Firefighter
- Florida State Certified Paramedic (credentialed through Lee EMS)
- AHA BLS Healthcare Provider
- AHA ACLS
- Emergency Vehicle Operators Course (EVOC)
- Completion of UFR Physical assessment
- Valid Driver's License

FF/PARAMEDIC - Must maintain the ability to perform prolonged and arduous physical work under hazardous and adverse conditions. Maintain all licenses and certifications and complete the UFR physical assessment annually.

General Function:

Responds to and provides assistance in emergency situations — including medical emergencies, hazardous material incidents, rescue operations, and other emergencies.

Provides required emergency medical services, as deemed appropriate by department and county medical protocols, from the most basic of care to advanced levels of life support. Performs assessments of patients and make decisions regarding proper course of action. Performs such duties as CPR, cardiac monitoring, medical calculation and administration, splint application, wound treatment, controlling of bleeding, monitoring and relying vital signs, oxygen and IV therapy, sterile suctioning, intubation, defibrillation, and further in-depth management of all medical and trauma patients.

Activities require the use of sound judgment and the ability to make decisions under stressful or emergency circumstance in accordance with accepted firefighting and emergency medical techniques, practices and procedures.

Duties unique to firefighting activities require work is done according to assignment and that a significant amount of work time is involved in maintaining fire station and fire apparatus.

Participation in training programs, drills, and exercises is required.

Work is performed under direct supervision of senior paramedic or Fire Chief. Work performance is evaluated while in progress and based on observation of results and periodic reports.

Illustrative Tasks:

1. Perform equipment and apparatus checks and ensure all items are within date, in good working order, and ready for use; reports defective equipment according to departmental procedures.
2. Maintains equipment and apparatus in clean condition, washes and waxes vehicles.
3. Responds to fire alarms and other emergency calls; performs needed rescue, emergency medical care operations, and firefighting activities.
4. Performance of operations and activities shall be done according to department policies, procedures, and S.O.P's.
5. Ensure valid, pertinent medical licenses and drivers' licenses are in provider presence at all times on shift along with copies on file in Vector Solutions.
6. Remain knowledgeable and up to date on department and county medical protocols relating to patient care.
7. Participates in training activities, practice drills and exercises (medical and fire related).
8. Learns Island infrastructure.
9. Participates in fire prevention and pre-fire planning activities.
10. Performs station housekeeping and grounds keeping duties.
11. May drive and operate motor driven fire apparatus.
12. Must demonstrate proper body mechanics for lifting and moving patients in emergency and nonemergency situations.
13. Maintains accurate and legible records such as run reports, checklists, incident reports, and information sheets using proficient terminology and professionalism.
14. Completes and maintains logs, forms, and reports of activities according to department guidelines and accepted record keeping practices.
15. Participates in the department's continuing education and refresher training programs as designated by administration.
16. Participates in fire hydrant maintenance and testing.
17. Performs other job-related duties as required by supervisor.

Reporting Responsibilities:

Senior Paramedic / Fire Chief

Supervisory Responsibilities:

EMT

Volunteers